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NPIC/PEG (10/83)**SERVICE GANTRY COMPATIBILITY TESTING**
TYURATAM SPACE LAUNCH SITE W, USSR

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** INITIAL COMPATIBILITY TESTING OF THE SERVICE
GANTRY TOWER IS IN PROGRESS. (SWN)2. **REMARKS:** [REDACTED] THE SERVICE GANTRY TOWER WAS IN
THE STOWED POSITION WHERE IT HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION SINCE
APRIL 1982. THE LARGE MOBILE TOWER, APPROXIMATELY 75 METERS
BY 44 METERS, IS PARKED ON THE LAUNCH PAD FOR THE FIRST TIME.
THE TOWER WILL BE USED TO SERVICE AND PROBABLY AID IN THE
ERECTING OF THE NEW HEAVY-LIFT VEHICLE (HLV) CURRENTLY UNDER
DEVELOPMENT AT TYURATAM. (SWN)

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SPACE LAUNCH SITE W HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION SINCE MAY 1978
AND WILL PROBABLY NOT BE OPERATIONAL UNTIL 1986. SPACE LAUNCH
SITE W ALONG WITH TYURATAM SPACE LAUNCH SITE J1/2[REDACTED] WILL BE USED TO LAUNCH THE NEW SOVIET HLV.
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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 46-00-21N 063-18-33E

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